

# Tidy Towns Competition 2012

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Drangan** Ref: **598**  
County: **Tipperary(South)** Mark: **269**  
Category: **A** Date(s): **19/06/2012**

	<b>Maximum Mark</b>	<b>Mark Awarded 2011</b>	<b>Mark Awarded 2012</b>
Overall Development Approach	50	38	38
The Built Environment	50	40	41
Landscaping	50	38	39
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	19	19
Litter Control	50	38	39
Tidiness	30	18	19
Waste Minimisation	20	9	9
Residential Areas	40	25	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	50	31	32
General Impression	10	8	8
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>269</b>

### Overall Development Approach:

Welcome to the National Tidy Towns Competition 2012. Your committee of ten members and other volunteers are to be commended on your efforts particularly this year because of the wet spring and summer. You are obviously hard working and enthusiastic and you have many successful links with the local authority and other public bodies in the area, as well as support from the community. We thank you for your map and photos which we found useful and interesting. As mentioned previously you should develop a three year plan for Drangan using as a format the ten TidyTowns adjudication categories. By this means you can prioritise projects for your annual programme

### The Built Environment:

On the Killenaule Road the new Community Centre is being built so we look forward to seeing the finished product next year. The tennis court and playground are wonderful facilities in your community. At Slatterys the walls need painting and the signs need cleaning. The petrol pumps opposite appear disused and should be removed. The Old Forge was painted. The Archway Bar is well presented. Maureen's had window boxes and flower containers. St. Mary's Cemetery and Assumption Cemetery looked well and the wall was well painted. The church is a fine stone building which impacts well on the village. We admired the flower baskets on the railings. The house to the right side of the church was very well painted. The convent building and the grotto are fine. The Michael Cusack Statue adds great historical interest to the village and the new large well planted containers added importance to the scene. The Tobar na mBráthar feature was painted and planted and looked well.

### Landscaping:

More trees should be planted in your village park to enhance this area. Hanging baskets and plant containers

were noted at the pump. We admired the rose bed at the stone wall opposite the cemetery. The use of large plant containers and hanging baskets are labour intensive but impacted well.

**Wildlife and Natural Amenities:**

We note that you have had to abandon your plans for the wildlife area and look forward to progress next year. Your environment is surrounded by a wealth of flora and fauna. It would be an interesting project for the school children to carry out a survey of the flora as a means of developing their interest and knowledge of their surroundings.

**Litter Control:**

We noted the huge effort of your community in the National Spring Clean. It is wonderful to see from your pictures that so many children were involved. The village looks very well with only a minimum amount of litter present.

**Tidiness:**

We noted that you washed all road signs and did other works which have been effective in tidying your community. The concrete supply yard was untidy and needs screening. A stone wall would be ideal.

**Waste Minimisation:**

We noted that you segregated waste from your clean-ups and have one water butt placed at the rose bed. The school should be proud of its achievement of two green flags. Do you know the quantities of material recycled in your community?

**Residential Areas:**

The unnamed new estate opposite the Church (Convent Lane?) is tidy, has nice stone walls but would benefit from more trees as would Hillview estate. The houses were clean and tidy.

**Roads, Streets and Back Areas:**

The approach roads to Drangan were pleasant and welcoming. We noted your efforts at highlighting areas of interest with floral displays.

**General Impression:**

The efforts made by your committee and its supporters are evident for all to see. Keep up the good work and we look forward to your entry next year.